

§ 597.508

(b) The retention and reporting provisions of § 597.201 shall not apply with respect to transactions authorized by paragraph (a) of this section.

[71 FR 27202, May 10, 2006]

§ 597.508 Payment of taxes and incidental fees to the Palestinian Authority.

(a) Effective April 12, 2006, U.S. financial institutions are authorized to conduct all transactions ordinarily incident to the following activities by U.S. persons: the payment of taxes or fees to, or the purchase or receipt of permits or public utility services from, the Palestinian Authority where such transactions are necessary and ordinarily incident to such persons' day-to-day operations. Nothing in this license authorizes a debit to an account of the Palestinian Authority on the books of a U.S. financial institution or to any account blocked pursuant to this part.

(b) The retention and reporting provisions of § 597.201 shall not apply with respect to transactions authorized by paragraph (a) of this section.

[71 FR 27202, May 10, 2006]

§ 597.509 Transactions with entities under the control of the Palestinian President and certain other entities.

(a) Effective April 12, 2006, U.S. financial institutions are authorized to engage in all transactions otherwise prohibited under this part with the following entities and individuals:

(1) The Palestinian Authority Presidency, including only the Office of the President, Presidential Security, General Intelligence Apparatus, Governors and Governorate staff, the Attorney General's Office, the Palestine Investment Fund (PIF), the Border Crossings Administration, and the Palestine Broadcasting Corporation (including the Voice of Palestine, Wafa News Agency, and the General Public Information Agency/State Information Services);

(2) The Palestinian Judiciary, including the Higher Judicial Council;

(3) Members of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) who were not elected to the PLC on the party slate of Hamas or any other Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO), Specially

31 CFR Ch. V (7-1-12 Edition)

Designated Terrorist (SDT), or Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT); and

(4) The following independent agencies: The Central Elections Commission; the Independent Citizens Rights Commission; the General Audit Authority/External Audit Agency; and the Palestinian Monetary Authority.

(b) Effective April 12, 2006, U.S. financial institutions are authorized to reject transactions with members of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) who were elected to the PLC on the party slate of Hamas or any other Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO), Specially Designated Terrorist (SDT), or Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT), provided that any such individuals are not named on OFAC's list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons.

(c) Nothing in this license authorizes a debit to an account of the Palestinian Authority on the books of a U.S. financial institution or to any account blocked pursuant to this part.

(d) The retention and reporting provisions of § 597.201 shall not apply with respect to transactions authorized by paragraph (a) of this section. The retention provisions of § 597.201 shall not apply with respect to transactions authorized by paragraph (b) of this section.

[71 FR 27202, May 10, 2006]

§ 597.510 Concluding activities with the Palestinian Authority.

(a) Effective April 12, 2006, all transactions and activities with the Palestinian Authority otherwise prohibited under this part are authorized through May 12, 2006, provided that they are necessary to conclude ongoing contracts or programs with the Palestinian Authority, and further provided that no payment pursuant to this license may involve a debit to an account of the Palestinian Authority on the books of a U.S. financial institution or to any account blocked pursuant to this part.

(b) The retention and reporting provisions of § 597.201 shall not apply with respect to transactions authorized by paragraph (a) of this section.

[71 FR 27202, May 10, 2006]